changes at the end of Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Five Year Plans.

Sl. No.	Plan	Employmet Generated (in millions)	**No. of job-seekers on the live Register at the end of the Plan. (in millions)
1	Second	8.0 (10.0)	1.56
2	Third	14.0	2.47
3	Fourth	*	8.15
4	Fifth	*	13.41
5	Sixth	35.60 SPY	23.91

*Not available since the committee of Experts on Unemployment Estimates set up by the Planning Commission in 1958, recommended, *inter alia*, that the earlier practice of presenting estimates of additional employment generated by the Plans be given up.

**All job-seekers registered with employment exchanges are not necessarily unemployed and all the nuemployed persons do not register with the employment exchanges.

SPY—Standard Person Year. Work for 273 days for 8 hours a day.

NOTE: Figures in parenthesis shows the revised Estimates.

Closure of Central Purchase Organisation of DGS&D

159. DR. LOKESH CHANDRA:

SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to close down the Central Purchase Organisation of the Directorate General of Supplies and Disposals and to allow the individual Government Departments to make their own purchases;

(b) whether Government have received any representations from Punjab, Haryana and Delhi, Chambers of Commerce, opposing the above change; and

(c) if so, by when a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKAR): (a) A proposal to progressively reduce the responsibility of the Department of Supply for centralised purchases is under consideration.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) By the end of May, 1986.

Representation against the closure of Akbar Hotel, New Delhi

160. DR. LOKESH CHANDRA:

SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA:

SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL:

SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

SHRI N. E. BALRAM:

SHRI SURAJ PRASAD:

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently received any representation from the